

PARISH HONORS DR. O'CONNELL

HIS BIRTHDAY'S DEC. 25, BUT THE CELEBRATION IS ON.

A Priest and One of a Priestly Family, He Will Be 75 Years Old Very Soon—His Active Life and Eventful Career as Teacher and Chaplain in Battle.

The 17,000 parishioners of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Mary Star of the Sea, at Luger and Court streets, Brooklyn, have begun to celebrate in advance the seventy-fifth birthday of their pastor, the Rev. Joseph P. O'Connell, D. D., who was born on Christmas Day, 1831. The festivities were begun last night and will be continued to-day. They are being held ahead of time owing to the amount of work the priests of the parish have before them the coming week.

At a reception in the school hall last night the Rev. Dr. O'Connell was presented with a beautifully illuminated address and a birthday box containing seventy-five ten dollar gold pieces, a gift from the girls of the Star of the Sea Academy.

Dr. O'Connell was born in Ireland and when a few years old came to this country with his parents. His father bought a plantation in the South and prospered. He sent his four sons to Rome to be educated, and three of them became priests and an only daughter a nun. Two of the sons of the only son who didn't take orders entered the Church, the boy as a priest and the girl as a nun.

The venerable pastor's sister, Sister Antonia of the Order of the Sisters of Mercy, is in a convent at Charleston, S. C. His nephew, the Right Rev. Dennis O'Connell, rector of the Catholic University at Washington, only a few days ago was appointed Titular Bishop of Sebastia. His niece, China, who was a sister of charity in Tientsin, China, where she was during the Boxer uprising and was saved from decapitation by the timely arrival of the British man-of-war.

Dr. O'Connell was a protégé of Pius IX. On one occasion years ago while the Pontiff was once giving an audience in what was then the hall of St. Agnes in the Vatican the floor gave way and precipitated all in the assemblage to a floor below. Dr. O'Connell, then a young priest, was so badly hurt that his life was despaired of. The Pope had prayers recited throughout Rome for his recovery, and his final restoration to health was considered an extraordinary that an account of it is inserted in a marble slab in St. Agnes's Chapel in Rome.

Dr. O'Connell was present at an important concave held in the Vatican when in 1854 Pius IX. promulgated the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin. He is said to be the only priest now alive in America who was present in Rome at the ceremony.

Soon after his ordination to the priesthood Dr. O'Connell returned to America and became an instructor in a Catholic College in the South, where his two older brothers had preceded him as teachers. He did missionary work among the mountaineers until the beginning of the civil war. His sympathies were with the South and he joined the Confederate Army as chaplain. He served in many important battles and was several times wounded.

He witnessed the destruction by Northern troops of the little school where he and his brothers spent their boyhood days; he saw the little Catholic college where he prepared for the seminary and later taught burned to the ground; he watched his father's plantation being swept by flames as the Union troops marched South.

At the close of the war Dr. O'Connell went to Rome and Pius IX. sent him to the Brooklyn diocese. He was attached to the church of Our Lady of Victory and later built St. Michael's Church in Fourth avenue. Then he was assigned to build up the parish of St. Mary Star of the Sea. Pope Leo XIII. raised him to the dignity of a domestic prelate of the Papal household with the title of Monsignor. He is a warm friend of Pius X. who, through the Cardinal Secretary of State, Merry del Val, has forwarded a congratulatory letter. Hundreds of messages of congratulation have been received from distinguished Catholic prelates throughout the country.

A. CASS GILBERT'S STATEMENT.

Architect Says the Mayor Did Not Ask Him to Withdraw.

A. Cass Gilbert, the architect, denied last night that he had been asked by Mayor McClellan to withdraw from the competition for the designing of the plans for the new municipal building to be erected at the Manhattan terminal of the Brooklyn Bridge.

"I refused Mayor McClellan's invitation to enter a competition for designing the proposed city building," he said, "because there was no assurance that the award of the jury of experts would be conclusive. The design selected by the jury may be thrown aside at the desire of the Bridge Commission or may never be carried into effect for lack of appropriation."

"It is not a question of my personal services, which I would gladly have rendered to the public matter, but when it involves, as in this case, the expenditure of thousands of dollars and the preparation of elaborate competitive drawings without any definite assurance of appointment, even if successful, it becomes a serious question. I therefore, requested twenty-four hours in which to consider the matter. As the Mayor wanted an immediate answer I declined his invitation."

"If the law would not permit the Mayor to offer more definite conditions, it is, of course, to be regretted. When one is asked to undertake a heavy expenditure he should either be proportionately compensated or have a reasonable assurance that if successful he would be retained."

"I appreciated the Mayor's invitation, but could not accept it."

CLARENCE DARROW ILL. AGAIN.

Pettibone Case to Be Adjudged Till He Can Assume Charge of Defense.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 12.—Nearly all to-day's session of the Pettibone trial was consumed in hearing testimony on the Bradley explosion at San Francisco. Portions of this testimony, according to the terms of the stipulation entered into by attorneys, was read from the records of the Haywood case.

The most important witness of the day was L. J. Gibson, who conducted the trial near the Bradley house. He testified to Orchard's frequent visits to his store just before the explosion and told of his disappearing when it occurred. Testimony from the "Miner" Magazine, the official organ of the Western Federation of Miners, was introduced as evidence for the purpose of showing that the State had been deceived by the testimony of the witnesses.

Attorney Clarence Darrow was again unable to be in court to-day, and it was announced that he could not assume charge of the defense until next week. The State will conclude its direct evidence to-morrow, and an adjournment will then be taken until Monday on account of Mr. Darrow's illness. Orchard will be recalled to-morrow and the defense will conclude its examination of him.

Women Strikers Arrested.

A dozen girls and young women out of 250 who are on strike from the white goods factory of the Argyle Manufacturing Company at 174 Lorimer street, Williamsburg, yesterday morning attacked several new operators in the neighborhood of Broadway and Lorimer street. Half a dozen policemen routed the strikers and arrested two of the women, Mary Cohen, 28 years old, of 101 Dobovise street, and Rosie Egert, 19 years old, of 10 Throop avenue. They were arraigned in the Lee avenue police court on a charge of disorderly conduct and the hearing was adjourned.

LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

They were sitting around the open fireplace of a women's college club not many miles from Madison avenue and were discussing all the things they've unlearned since they learned them at college.

"Why, I put in a solid year at chemistry," said the golden haired girl regretfully, "and, do you know, the only single solitary thing I remember about it now is that water is H₂O."

"It's a good idea, this naming buildings for the streets at the intersection of which they are built," said the man from Chicago. "Your 'Broad Exchange' and 'Broadway' Chambers and other hyphenated skyscrapers achieve a certain amount of distinction through their names; but why isn't the idea pushed further? Harlem might rejoice in the 'Six-hundred-and-twenty-fifth' by multiplying Fifth avenue and 225th street. It would be a good idea. 'Prince-Elizabeth' and a 'Dutch-John' and a patriotic 'James-Madison' and any number of interesting combinations."

How conscientious are the great musicians who enjoy the favor of the public was recently shown in the case of Ignace Paderewski, who the day before he played his sonata here spent seven hours at the piano in practice and consented to leave it only when he realized he would be too fatigued to play in public if he did not have rest. Although the pianist is in robust health this his way of life is as out of the ordinary as ever. He never goes to bed until 3 o'clock in the morning. He plays the piano until 11 or 12, then reads and spends the rest of the night until bedtime in smoking cigarettes and writing letters. He usually rises at noon. All that he gets of exercise is at the piano when he is playing his billiards. His only vacation this year is to be during Christmas week, which he will spend in Boston. After that he gets on his private car to live there until May.

"The Revised Statutes will be amended wholesale until the Christmas rush is over," said the post office clerk. "Uncle Sam carries books and merchandise in the mails for you at lower than retail rates on condition that you don't put any writing in the parcel. But I'm willing to bet that 90 out of every 100 Christmas packages have written messages inside. Maybe it's only a card with a word of greeting, or maybe it's a whole letter, but in either event Uncle Sam doesn't have time to peek into the bundle to find out. It wouldn't be possible with the parcels being put in on us as they are beginning to do already. When we weigh a package for the sender we always ask sternly if it contains any written matter and the sender lies cheerfully and we know it and the incident is closed."

A letter addressed to Anton Bruckner, the Austrian composer, who died some years ago, is unclaimed at Carnegie Hall. The performance of one of Bruckner's symphonies by the Boston Symphony Orchestra was not received with any noticeable signs of delight by the public, while the critics had little to say in its favor. One small voice of praise was heard, however. So a clipping bureau cut out this commendatory criticism and enclosed it in an envelope addressed to Anton Bruckner. "Arrived," said the bureau, "but the letter was not delivered to the bureau."

He stood in the driving, sloshing rain last Saturday morning on the corner by the Sun Building contemplating the curb. "Don't you know enough to go in when it rains?" asked an acquaintance, hurrying by to shelter.

"His acquaintance stopped in astonishment, while his umbrella turned inside out. 'What the curbside,' the first man continued, 'where it has been worn smooth by the throngs? You never saw it when it was washed shiny clean before. Isn't it the most beautiful gray-green, and polished like a slab? Emerson said you could find beauty in the rain water channels in the sidewalk. Look at that. I'm finding it in the sidewalk.'

The other man's comment was smothered in a fresh gust of wind and the wreck of his umbrella.

A certain playwright who was graduated from the press agent academy stood in front of a Broadway billboard the other day in the driving rain and sadly contemplated the moist, pasty wreck of a once lovely lithograph.

"You can never get away from the business you were brought up in," he said. "Honestly, it hurts me almost as much to see that wreck of a lithograph as it would to see one of my plays fail. To this day I never wake up on a rainy morning without my first thought being, as I look out of the window, 'There'll be a lot of good people down by night.' It's the agent's instinct. You can never outgrow it."

Borglum's mammoth head of Lincoln, cut in white marble and but partially released from the rough block, which has been on view for some days in a Fifth avenue store window, has attracted more attention from the passersby than any object displayed in all that row of alluring shops. There is constantly a crowd on the sidewalk in front and five minutes spent there will be rewarded by a fine grist of amateur art criticisms. Perhaps one of them recently wrote to the artist: "I look at that great head, troubled face almost every day," said a man to his companion, "and then I walk on down the avenue and look at the faces of the people I meet. Some are as good as dead, some are as stupid or earthy in the memory of his."

NO CHANGE IN DICKINSON CLUB.

Meeting of the Executive Committee Short of a Quorum.

Six of the twelve members of the executive committee of the Samuel D. Dickinson Association, so named for the Republican leader of Hudson county, attended a special meeting at the clubhouse in Jersey City last night to discuss the withdrawal of the Colonel as standard bearer and his retirement from the campaign.

"We had a pleasant talk," said Col. Dickinson at the end of the meeting. "A change of the club's name was discussed, but of course nothing was done, as there was no quorum."

He said he has not yet submitted his resignation and declined to state what are his intentions.

SIZING UP OUR JAILS.

State Commissioners Investigate Precinct Prisons for a Report.

Henry Solomon of 58 East Sixty-fifth street and Francis C. Huntington of 143 East Thirty-eighth street, the Manhattan members of the State Prison Commission, visited a number of police stations last night gathering material for a report on the precinct prisons of New York which they are to make at a meeting of the commission on the first Tuesday in January. They reserved comment on some of the prisons and said that others were satisfactory.

Dead Sparrows Cause Typhoid in Wajden.

NEWBURGH, Dec. 12.—There has been for several weeks an epidemic of typhoid fever at Walden, twelve miles back of this city, and several deaths have occurred. It was thought polluted milk was the cause and the State Board of Health was called in to investigate. It is now asserted that the real cause has been discovered. The public water supply is obtained from a cistern wells, the water being forced up into a standpipe, and from this is distributed throughout the village by a system of underground water pipes. Yesterday an examination of the standpipe was made and in the dead bodies of several sparrows were found.

EFFECT OF SUNDAY ORDINANCE.

CORPORATION COUNSEL TO ADVISE THE MAYOR TO-DAY.

Vaudeville Managers Won't Plan for Next Sunday Until They See What the Mayor Does With the Ordinance—No Request for a Public Hearing by Anybody.

Mayor McClellan will not receive until to-day the Doull ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen, which theatrical men think will permit vaudeville performances on Sundays. The Mayor refused yesterday to intimate what action he might take on the measure, but it is generally believed that he will sign it before Sunday, although he has to wait until to-morrow. It is doubtful if he will give a public hearing on the ordinance. Up to the time he left the City Hall yesterday he had not heard from Canon Chase, nor in fact had he received a single request for a public hearing. It is the opinion of the Mayor that such a hearing would be unnecessary anyway for the reason that the matter has already had sufficient public hearing.

Corporation Counsel Pendleton will probably send an opinion to the Mayor to-day on the legality of the ordinance. All that Mr. Pendleton would want to state is to say yesterday regarding it was that it could not be taken advantage of to open a performance with a hymn and then to go on and give acrobatic stunts and vaudeville shows.

Commissioner Bingham, following his usual custom, would make no comment on the ordinance. It is understood, however, that when the Mayor has signed the new ordinance the Commissioner will ask Corporation Counsel Pendleton for an interpretation and a statement as to the nature of prohibited entertainments. He will then send out a general order instructing his captains to enforce the new ordinance according to the statement.

It has already been said on behalf of the Law Department that no ordinance forbidding all "public shows" on Sunday, whatever a public show may be.

Some twenty applications came on yesterday for argument before Justice Leventritt in the Supreme Court, for motions by managers of skating rinks, nickelodeons and similar concerns for injunctions to restrain the Police Commissioner from interfering with their business on Sundays. Decision was reserved.

It was decided at a meeting of the Association of Sunday Vaudeville Managers at the Hotel Astor yesterday afternoon to wait and see whether Mayor McClellan signs the Doull ordinance before announcing any plans for performance next Sunday. Among those present were William Hammerstein and Percy Williams.

"In the other event," he continued, "we'll all give a Sunday night concert within the limitations of the law. There will be musical acts, and under the clause permitting lectures we will be able to give monologues and plays that are educational and instructive. I am not able to say positively about the Manhattan Opera House, but it is probable if the bill is not vetoed there will be a concert there too."

NORTH ATTLEBORO BANK CLOSED.

President Wiggin Says Dead Cashier Exceeded Authority in Making Loans.

NORTH ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 12.—Henry E. Currier, National Bank Examiner, acting under orders from Comptroller Ridgely, to-night took charge of the Jewelers' National Bank.

The directors held a meeting before banking hours this morning and it was voted not to open for business to-day. A notice was posted saying that the institution would not open until a thorough examination had been made. Bank Examiner Currier and Alfred Ewer began the investigation, aided by the directors. At 6 o'clock to-night the directors announced that they had no information to give out.

The failure of the bank to open following the sudden death of Frederick E. Sargeant, vice-president and cashier, created a sensation, but there was no great alarm among depositors.

Mr. Morgan, father-in-law of the dead cashier, declared to-day that his death was entirely accidental. He said Mr. Sargeant had suffered from heart trouble for two years. In his opinion Sargeant was taking a hot bath when he fell fainting and was drowned while on his way to the capital stock of the bank was \$100,000; surplus and undivided profits, \$40,300; deposits, \$1,050,710; loans, \$317,700.

Assistant Cashier Carpenter said to-day that there was no truth in the report that \$50,000 of the bank's capital was involved by the death of Sargeant and he also said that he did not believe the \$100,000 of the paper of enterprises in which Sargeant was interested.

Vice-president Albert H. Wiggin of the Chase National Bank and president of the Jewelers' National Bank of North Attleboro, gave out the following statement yesterday: "The directors of the Jewelers' National Bank of North Attleboro have been naturally excited and caused the directors to make an immediate investigation of the condition of the bank. Mr. Sargeant, who was vice-president and cashier, has exceeded his authority, and that, without the knowledge of the directors, he has made loans to local concerns in which he was personally interested. Mr. Wiggin, president of the bank, lives in New York and not in North Attleboro, and the conduct of the institution has been largely left with the local board."

CHASE AFTER A THIEF.

Not Without Its Elements of Interest and Excitement.

A pursuit of about two miles was necessary before Thomas Catzaro, a Polish cigar-maker who lives in Ravenswood, was captured yesterday in Long Island City. Catzaro entered the home of Mrs. Petry at 21 Third street, Dutch Kills. She saw him and screamed. Catzaro was pursued by Joseph Prem, the landlady's son, a bicycle. A trolley car for Long Island City came along and Catzaro boarded it. Prem followed the car on his wheel as far as James street, where the cars turn into Jackson avenue. There Catzaro jumped out of the car and started across lots in the direction of Nott avenue. Prem kept to the road and met Bicycle Policeman Nadie, who joined in.

A workman of Ely avenue near Nott avenue stopped Catzaro, but the latter broke away. The policeman, who had dismounted, caught up with him. Catzaro said he was only looking for a friend when he visited Mrs. Petry's home.

Convicted for Assault on Girl.

William Moravec, 30 years old, of 90 Grove street, Winfield, L. I., who with four other young men was arrested and indicted charged with assaulting Mary Jansky, 19 years old, on June 30th last, was convicted by a jury before Judge Humphrey in the Queens county court in Long Island City yesterday. The others awaiting trial are Henry Jants, John Rose, George Rier and Frank Moravec, brother of the convicted man. Two of the prisoners turned State's evidence and testified against Moravec, at the same time admitting their part in the crime. The accused men are all about 20 years of age.

Spanking the Stern Sentence of Judge.

CRANFORD, N. J., Dec. 12.—Six boys ranging in age from ten to sixteen years were before Recorder E. F. Ferris in the police court to-day charged with disorderly conduct in the railway station. The Recorder told the parents of the children to give them a spanking to consist of ten lashes to be inflicted at home.

PROTEST FROM UNTERMYER.

Against the Way Things Are Going in Knickerbocker Trust Rehabilitation.

Samuel Untermyer, counsel for one of the depositors' committees of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, sent yesterday a letter to Frederick G. Bourne, head of another depositors' committee, protesting against the criticism which has been leveled at his committee as being the cause of blocking of the plans for the company's rehabilitation. Mr. Untermyer says daily in his statements that interview given to the newspapers were inspired and also criticized the Satterlee committee. The letter says:

"Notwithstanding the unpardonable misrepresentation to which we have been subjected (in which I am sure your Committee has taken no part) for having dared to refuse to be driven into a Plan that we regard as the cause of the depositors' loss, in its present form and a radical departure from our agreement, we are so earnestly satisfied that rehabilitation under proper conditions is far better for the depositors than liquidation, that we are still willing to join in the Plan and aid in its execution provided it is changed in two particulars:

1st: It must not become operative unless consented to by at least 90 per cent. in amount of all the depositors and as much more as the Voting Trustees consider necessary.

2nd: There should be seven Voting Trustees to be named when 90 per cent. in amount of the depositors have consented and their names should be submitted to the assenting depositors for approval.

It would take over \$4,000,000 in cash to pay 10 per cent. of dissenting depositors. It seems monstrous that so vital a subject as the proportion who may be paid in advance should be left undetermined.

When the Satterlee Committee came into the field we welcomed and promptly invited co-operation. One of the first acts whilst we were still in a state of suspense was to issue our own Plan without our knowledge, in which they naively asked the depositors to wait four years and nine months for 10 per cent. of their money, although your Committee tells us now that you expect to materially anticipate the present term of two years and four months.

If there is no intention of using the depositors' money in any considerable amount to pay off those who stay out of the Plan, why not say so instead of asking authority to pay whoever and as much as they choose and leaving the assenting depositors to take what is left?

So far from our Committee having blocked any Plan for rehabilitation as certain interested persons would like to have it understood, so as to shift the responsibility in case of failure, we have as you know abandoned Plan after Plan which we considered more favorable to the depositors, in order to meet the general view. Among others, the Plan suggested by the Receivers under which Mr. Hammerstein was to be named as Planter was in my judgment vastly superior to anything suggested by any of the Committees. I so expressed myself at the meeting at which it was presented when you were present, but out of deference to the views of others we discarded it much to my regret.

MASSACRED BY YAQUI'S.

American Adventurer Assassinated; 12 Mexicans Shot Down.

HERMOSILLO, Mex., Dec. 12.—Henry Stewart, an American soldier of fortune, who came to Mexico to join the Mexican military forces who are waging a campaign against the Yaqui Indians, was killed by a band of Yaqui warriors at the mining town of La Brisa two days ago, according to advices which were brought here to-day.

The Yaquis, though their system of agriculture is backward, are very clever and was decided to kill him before he could take command of a company of Mexican soldiers. The Indians made a raid upon La Brisa and after killing Stewart they looted the general store and fled back into the mountains.

Stewart formerly lived at Tucson, Ariz. He fought with the Boers in South Africa and went through several revolutions in Central and South America. He was killed at El Paso, Tex., Dec. 12.—Twelve Mexicans were captured recently by Yaquis in the Magdalena district and lined up in front of the town. A letter from John G. Witter, a prominent mining engineer now in Sonora, the Yaquis allowed a ranchman named Robles and an American relative to free them.

The letter was written from Magdalena on Saturday and says the Indians caught the fourteen men in a field at the ranch and held them for a day. They were then taken to the Yaquis and given them a soldier's death.

COMFORTABLE THIEF TAKING.

Policeman Watches From His Own Home and Has Wife and Servant on Guard.

David Cusick, 15 years old, and Edward Sedloski, 15 years old, were locked up last night in the Liberty avenue police station, charged with burglary.

Lieut. McCormack of that precinct, who lives at 97 Elton street, was seated at a front window of his home late yesterday afternoon, when he saw the boys loitering about a house across the way. Mrs. Mary Benton, who lives there, was out.

Lieut. McCormack waited for a few minutes. Then he posted his wife and a servant, who were in the house, to the door and he entered the cellar of Mrs. Benton's house through the window where he thought the boys had entered.

There was no response to an order to come out. The lieutenant, feeling alone, found a half brick and threw it into the darkness. There was a cry of pain from one of the boys, who had been hit in the face. The boys crawled out of the hole.

TO STUDY SOUTH ON HORSEBACK.

Prof. Hart of Harvard Will Note Social and Economic Conditions.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 12.—Prof. A. B. Hart of the department of history at Harvard, has got a leave of absence till February for the purpose of studying social and economic conditions in the South. He is planning to make his first hand investigation on horseback. He will start on his trip on Monday.

Prof. Hart will go first to Galveston and Houston, where he will examine the system of Government by commission. He will then go to San Antonio, Austin, Houston, Prof. Hart will ride across Mississippi, Alabama and through the eastern part of North and South Carolina.

Anti-Ball Men Back Davidson.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 12.—A secret conference of thirty prominent anti-Ball men from all parts of Texas was held at the Hotel Southland in this city to-day to promote the candidacy of Attorney-General Davidson for a third term.

He did not try to conceal the fact that Davidson's candidacy is to be strictly anti-Ball. Attorney-General Davidson has consented to make the race.

Court Interpreter Charged With Extortion.

Michael Tandich of 35 Avenue B, an interpreter in the Court of Special Sessions, was arrested yesterday, charged with extorting money from Henry Sokoloff of 54 East Thirtieth street, who is now out on bail. Assistant District Attorney Kroel told Magistrate Corrigan that the prisoner had been in the habit of extorting money from many people on the East Side.

May Live With Five Bullets in His Head.

SILVERTON, Col., Dec. 12.—Despondent over loss of his position and crazed by the pains of rheumatism, Henry Lamb to-day fired two bullets from a revolver into his mouth and three more into his head. To-night the physicians think he may live.

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FIRE ON CANADA'S CRUISER.

Sailors Tackle Powder Cases and Avert Bad Explosion.

OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—The presence of mind of several sailors on the Government cruiser Vigilant, laid up at Windsor, Ont., prevented to-day what might have been a serious explosion. The engineer had placed a kettle of grease on the galley stove to thaw it and it boiled over and was ignited. In a short time the galley was a mass of flames.

The fire ate its way through a partition to the room in which a score of powder cases were stored, and the members of the crew turned their attention to the powder. Some of it was thrown overboard and some was carried to the deck to safety.

The damage was not extensive. This cruiser is well known at American ports on Lakes Erie and Ontario.

FLEEING THIEF FATALLY SHOT.

Two Others Who Were Openly Robbing Warehouse Got Away Safely.

Thomas Cardin of 24 Hopkins street, Brooklyn, saw from his front window about midnight last night three men boldly taking rolls of woolen goods from the windows of the Empire Woolen Company at 108 Marcy avenue. Cardin telephoned to the Vernon avenue station house and word was sent to Policeman Johnston.

Johnston went quietly to the corner and watched the men make two more trips, each time carrying the goods to a vacant lot near by. At the third trip Johnston stepped out into the open and called to the men that they were under arrest. The men drew Marcy avenue toward Flushing avenue.

Johnston fired his revolver once into the air, but as that failed to stop the men he fired a second time and the shot took effect in the back of Samuel Parks of 306 Clemont avenue, one of the fleeing men. Parks dropped to the sidewalk. The other two men, however, got away.

The place where the shooting took place is a street car transfer point and a large crowd witnessed the shooting, scattering to nearby dwellings for shelter. The case was taken to the Cumberland Street Hospital. He will die.

RUSSIAN ARSCONDER FOUND.

Agent of the Czar Discovered in Chicago After Worldwide Chase.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Stanislaw Grzegorzewski, the alleged absconding municipal agent of the Czar of Russia, has been located in Chicago after a worldwide search by the St. Petersburg authorities. His defections amount to \$250,000. He has defected a flurry in aristocratic Russian circles, where he was a leader.

Under an assumed name he came to Chicago, where he was set to work. He lived up to the standard he had set in Russia. Close on his trail was an agent of the secret police of St. Petersburg, who communicated with Baron Schlippenbach, the Russian Consul.

The situation was laid before Chief of Police Shippy at a conference and the detective bureau was set to work. Sergeant Ter-laxin, who speaks Russian fluently, was assigned to the case and announced to-day that he had his man under surveillance. He will be arrested as soon as the necessary formalities can be concluded at the office of the Russian Consul.

He was until his disappearance Governor of Bresl-Lowiski, a province near St. Petersburg.

THANKS HEBURN COMMITTEE.

Gov. Hughes Commends Their Report on Revision of the Banking Laws.

ALBANY, Dec. 12.—In thanking the Heburn Banking Law Revision Committee, which has made its report, Gov. Hughes in a letter says:

"I thank you for the thoughtful and prompt attention you have given this matter, and I am sure that the people of the State will highly appreciate the important service you have rendered and the contribution you have made toward the reforming of the law of the State so as to protect by adequate supervision the vast interests committed to the care of our financial institutions."

"I shall take great pleasure in submitting your views to the consideration of the Legislature."

The commission was composed of volunteers.

FLED DOWN FIRE ESCAPE.

All but One Man, From a Raided Harlem Poolroom.